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Jury Finds Two Ledroit Park Men Guilty of Multiple Counts of Armed Robbery and Related Offenses

WASHINGTON - After a nearly two-week trial, a District of Columbia Superior Court jury has found two Northwest Washington, D.C. men, Devon Davis, 18, and Tywon Hager, 23, guilty of three counts of Armed Robbery, one count of Assault with Intent to Rob, and related firearm charges for the brazen late night robbery of four district residents last year, Acting U.S. Attorney Channing D. Phillips announced today.

The jury returned their verdicts yesterday. Davis and Hager will be sentenced in October by the Honorable Gregory Jackson.

According to the evidence presented at trial, Davis and Hager robbed, at gunpoint, three young men and one woman as they exited their vehicle in the 1000 block of 7th Street, NE, at approximately 1:30 a.m. on July 1, 2008. Both men held guns to the heads of the victims while taking items such as wallets, cell phones and keys. After the robbery, the men fled the area. Metropolitan Police Department detectives immediately responded to the scene and, using a GPS locator program in both of the stolen cell phones, were able to track the location of the defendants to the 200 block of W Street, NW. Officers arrived in that area, saw the defendants matching the description of the robbers and eventually apprehended the defendants inside of an apartment belonging to Davis' mother.

Found in the possession of the men were clothing items matching the robbers' description, as well as a cell phone belonging to one of the victims. Recovered in areas where the men were previously seen were other items belonging to the victims, including one of the cell

phones that was tracked and a wallet, which still contained the driver's license of one of the victims.

In announcing the verdict, Acting U.S. Attorney Phillips commended Metropolitan Police Department Detective Thomas Smith for his outstanding investigation and help in securing the testimony of numerous witnesses for trial. He also commended the USAO staff who assisted in the successful prosecution, including Paralegal Specialist Tameka Garcia, Litigation Specialists Dontrell Smith, Kimberly Smith and Paul Howard, and Victim Advocate Jennifer Clark. Additionally, he commended the outstanding support of Intern Sarah Zubair and Assistant U.S. Attorneys Sharad Khandewal, who investigated and indicted the case, and Reagan M. Taylor who, prosecuted the case at trial.

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